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HOUSE BILL DRH10539-ND-90

Short Title: Setting Maximum SHP Supervisory Positions. (Public)

Sponsors: Representative McNeill.

Referred to:

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
2 AN ACT TO SPECIFY THE MAXIMUM NUMBER OF POSITIONS FOR EACH
3 SUPERVISORY RANK OF THE STATE HIGHWAY PATROL.

4 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

5 SECTION 1. G.S. 20-185 reads as rewritten:

6 "§ 20-185. Personnel; appointment; salaries.

7 (a) The State Highway Patrol shall consist of a commanding officer, who shall be
8 appointed by the Governor and whose rank shall be designated by the Governor, and such
9 additional subordinate officers and members as the Secretary of Public Safety, with the approval
10 of the Governor, shall direct. Members of the State Highway Patrol shall be appointed by the
11 Secretary, with the approval of the Governor, and shall serve at the pleasure of the Governor and
12 Secretary. The commanding officer, other officers and members of the State Highway Patrol
13 shall be paid such salaries as may be established by the Division of Personnel of the Department
14 of Administration. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Article, the number of
15 supervisory personnel of the State Highway Patrol shall ~~not exceed a number equal to twenty one~~
16 ~~percent (21%) of the personnel actually serving as uniformed highway patrolmen. be as provided~~
17 ~~in subsection (a2) of this section.~~ Nothing in the previous sentence is intended to require the
18 demotion, reassignment or change in status of any member of the State Highway Patrol presently
19 assigned in a supervisory capacity. If a reduction in the number of Highway Patrol personnel
20 assigned in supervisory capacity is required in order for the State Highway Patrol to meet the
21 ~~mandatory maximum percentage number of supervisory personnel as set out in the fourth~~
22 ~~sentence of this subsection, subsection (a2) of this section, that reduction shall be achieved~~
23 through normal attrition resulting from supervisory personnel resigning, retiring or voluntarily
24 transferring from supervisory positions.

25 (a1) Applicants for employment as a State Trooper shall be at least 21 years of age and
26 not more than 39 years of age as of the first day of patrol school. Highway Patrol enforcement
27 personnel hired on or after July 1, 2013, shall retire not later than the end of the month in which
28 their 62nd birthday falls.

29 (a2) The supervisory personnel of the State Highway Patrol shall not exceed the number
30 of positions as set forth in the following table:

<u>Rank</u>	<u>Total Allotted Positions</u>
<u>Colonel</u>	<u>1</u>
<u>Lieutenant Colonel</u>	<u>2</u>
<u>Major</u>	<u>5</u>
<u>Captain</u>	<u>20</u>
<u>Lieutenant</u>	<u>36</u>



1 First Sergeant 85
2 Sergeant 222
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4 **SECTION 2.** This act becomes effective October 1, 2019.